# Londons Lotterie:

With an incouragement to the furtherance thereof, for the good of
*Virginia*, and the benefite of this our natiue Countrie; wiſhing
good fortune to all that venture in the ſame.
To the tune of Luſty Gallant.

London, ſince thou famous long,
haſt bred a gallant minde:
Plenty, peace, and pleaſures ſtore,
in thee we dayly finde.
The Merchants of Virginia now,
hath nobly tooke in hand,
The braueſt golden Lottery,
that ere was in this Land.

A gallant Houſe well furniſht foorth,
with Gold and Siluer Plate,
There ſtandes prepard with Prizes now,
ſet foorth in greateſt ſtate.
To London, worthy Gentlemen,
goe venture there your chaunce:
Good lucke ſtandes now in readineſſe,
your fortunes to aduance.

It is to plant a Kingdome ſure,
where ſauage people dwell:
God will fauour Chriſtians ſtill,
and like the purpoſe well.
Take courage then with willingneſſe,
let hands and hearts agree:
A nobler enterprize then this,
I thinke can neuer bee.

Our moſt renowned King and Queene,
in princely worthineſſe,
Doth graunt their grace and fauours both,
as their intents expreſſe.
Sweete natures Iem, Prince Henry he,
in loue is not behinde:
The Nobles of the Land likewiſe,
we all doe forward finde.

Well may this famous Lottery,
haue good ſucceſſe and ſpeede,
When as the States of England thus,
each hath good liking breed.
Come Gallants, come; come noble mindes
come venture now for Gold,
For ſmiling hope, heere bids you all,
take courage, and be bold.

Come Knights, and gallant Gentlemen,
put in your ventures all:
Let nothing daunt your willing mindes,
good fortune may befall:

Mee thinkes I ſee great numbers flocke,
and bring in faſt their Coyne:
And Tradeſmen now in louing ſort,
their Moneyes all doe ioyne:

Heere Prizes are of great account,
not ſimple, plaine, and poore;
But vnto Thouſands doe ſurmount,
whereof there be ſome ſtore:
And happely ſome men there be,
in gayning of the ſame,
May ſpend their dayes like Gentlemen,
in credite and good name.

As lately heere in London was,
ſome vnto Riches brought;
Where many mended their eſtates,
when they full little thought:
Yet heere are greater Prizes farre,
as eaſily to be gaind,
And valued to more thouſand poundes,
then hath the firſt containd.

You London Merchants ſending foorth
your fortunes to the Sea,
Heere may you purchaſe Golden worth,
and Countries loue this way.
It pleaſeth God, contentes the King,
in venturing thus your ſtore:
To plant that Land in gouernment,
which neuer was before.

Full many a man that liues full bare,
and knowes no ioyes of Gold,
For one ſmall Crowne may get a ſhare,
of twice two Thouſand told;
Then what is hee that feares to try
his fortune in this kind,
When lucke and chaunce may make a man,
and thus great Riches find.

You Maydes that haue but portions ſmall
to gaine your Mariage friend,
Caſt in your Lots with willing hand,
God in your good fortune ſend.
You Widdowes, and you wedded Wiues,
one little fortune try:
You may aduance both ſtate and rents,
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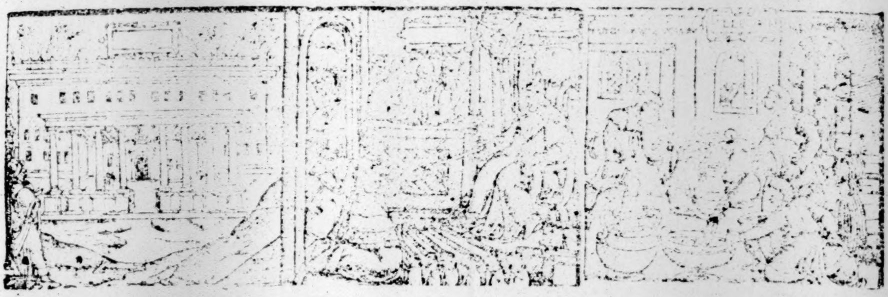
# The Second part of Londons Lotterie.

To the tune of, Luſty Gallant.



YOu Farmers and you Country men,
whom God hath bleſt with ſtore,
To this good worke ſet helping hand,
and God will ſend you more:
What comes in loue, will proſper well,
and be redoubled backe:
And they that thus for Countrie doth,
can neuer liue in lacke.

The King, the Queene, & noble Prince,
giues courage to perſwade:
The Peeres and Barrons of the Land,
hath not their loues denayde:
Court and Citie doth the like,
where willingly each man,
To builde vp this Virginias ſtate,
performes the beſt he can,

The Merchants of the Eaſterne partes,
heere ſhewes both loue and care;
And ventures Gold with ioyfull heartes,
and thereof makes no ſpare.
Our gallant London Companies,
and Halles of high renowne,
Into Virginias Lotterie,
ſends freely many a Crowne.

For good intent all this is done,
and no man wrongd therein:
Then happy fortune be his dole,
the greateſt Prize can win:
And happy fortune be their guides,
that nobly thus maintaines
The planting of this New-found Land,
with cares, with coſt, and paines.

Let no man thinke that he ſhall looſe,
though he no Prize poſſeſſe:
His ſubſtaunce to Virginia goes,
which God, no doubt, will bleſſe:
And in ſhort time ſend from that land,
much rich commodities;
So ſhall we thinke all well beſtowd,
vpon this Latterie.

Heere profite doth with pleaſure ioyne,
and bids each cheerefull heart,
To this high praiſed enterpriſe,
performe a Chriſtian part.

Good Countrimen be forward then,
and with your Tallents ſmall,
Aduenture heere for good luckes ſake,
and graunt your loues withall.

We ought not liue heere, for our ſelues,
but for our Countrys good:
And Countries good, it is well knowne,
long hath this purpoſe ſtood:
For firſt, when Queene Elizabeth
heere liud, to much renowne,
This Land now call'd Virginia,
by Engliſh-men was found.

Sir Gilbert, Drake, and others more,
gaue vs thereof firſt ſight;
But followed now by noble mindes,
with carefull courſe aright:
Deſiring nothing for their paines,
but Countries loue and fauour:
Then reaſon calles our liberall aydes,
to this renowned labour.

Who knowes not England once was like
a Wilderneſſe and ſauage place,
Till gouernment and vſe of men,
that wildneſſe did deface:
And ſo Virginia may in time,
be made like England now;
Where long-loud peace and plenty both,
ſits ſmiling on her brow.

Our King, the Lord full long preſerue,
the cauſe of all this pleaſure:
The Queene, the Prince, and all his ſeed,
with dayes of longeſt meaſure:
And that Virginia well may proue
a Land of rich increaſe:
And Englands gouernment thereof,
good God let neuer ceaſe.

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